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Dedication

IN

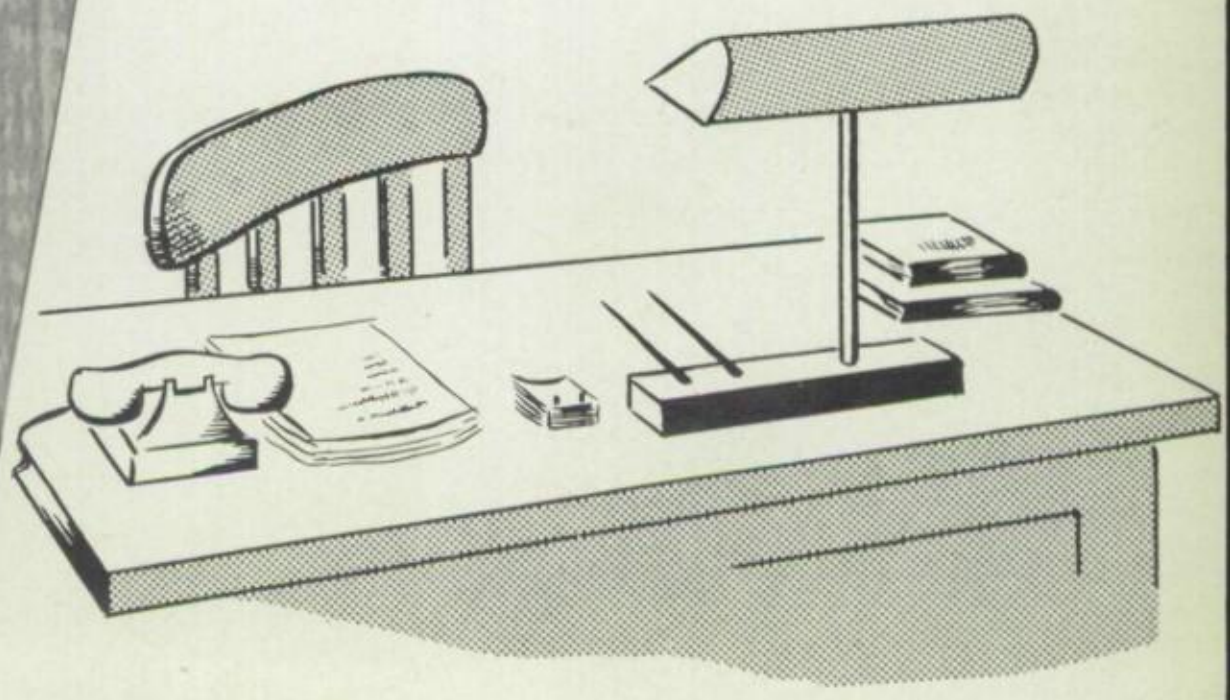
RECOGNITION

OF

ALVIN JONES

We, the members of the 1954 yearbook staff, in appreciation for his undivided attention and unfaultering guidance to our students, dedicate this yearbook to Alvin Jones. Through his four years at Thayer High he has coached a winning basketball team and sponsored two graduating classes. As a shop instructor he has proved his ability as a craftsman and as a true asset to Thayer High School.

Administration



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Board of Education

Thomas Loyd, Clerk

Harry Rash, Director

Charles Payne, Treasurer

SUPERINTENDENT

BACK ROW: Charles Babcock, Vice-President; Dale Reece, President; Glen Wheeler, Supt. Leo Sanborn. FRONT ROW: Marvin Johnson, Leola Holtzman, Secretary; Claire LaVon Rucker, Mary McDaniel.

Student Council

A noon meeting of the Student Council.

Meeting once a week, the Student Council sponsored a Freshman Initiation, and a mixer after the Thayer - Erie game.

On March 19 they sponsored the Trumpeteers quartet from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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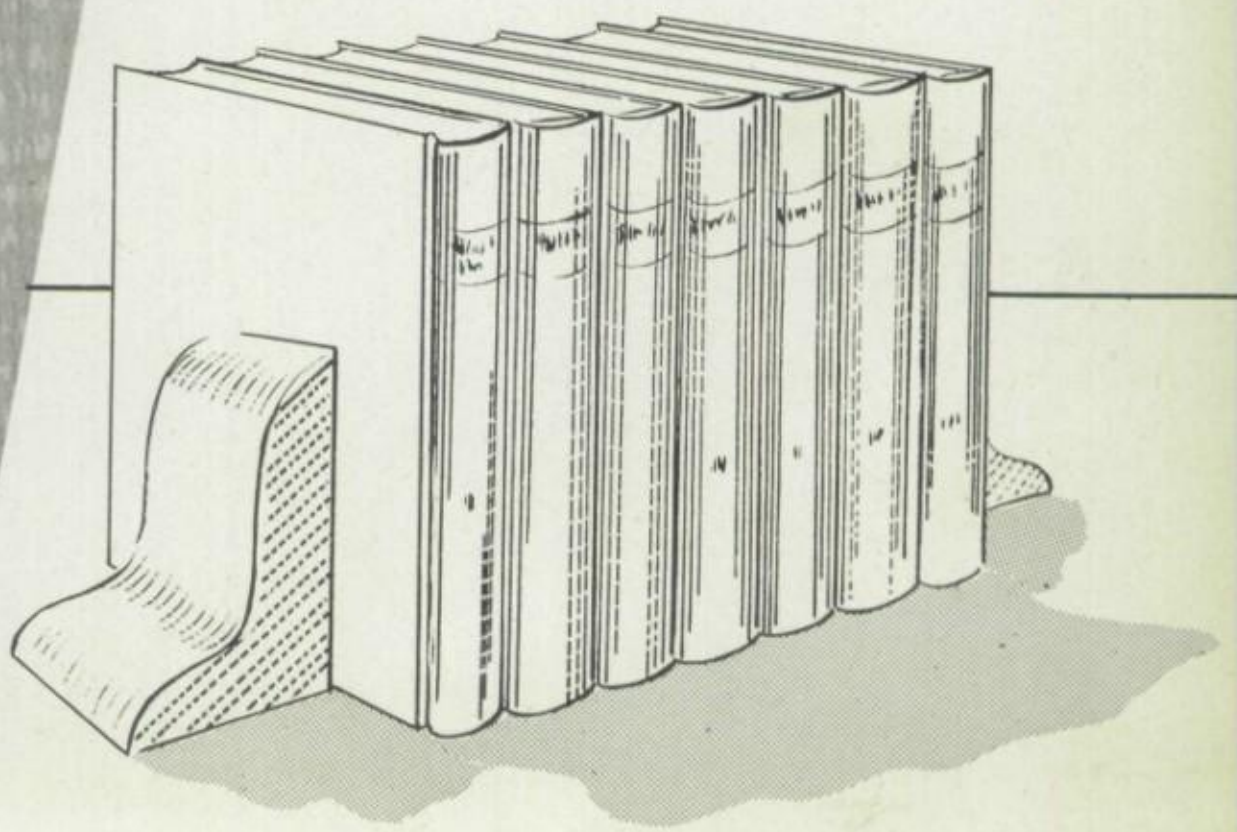
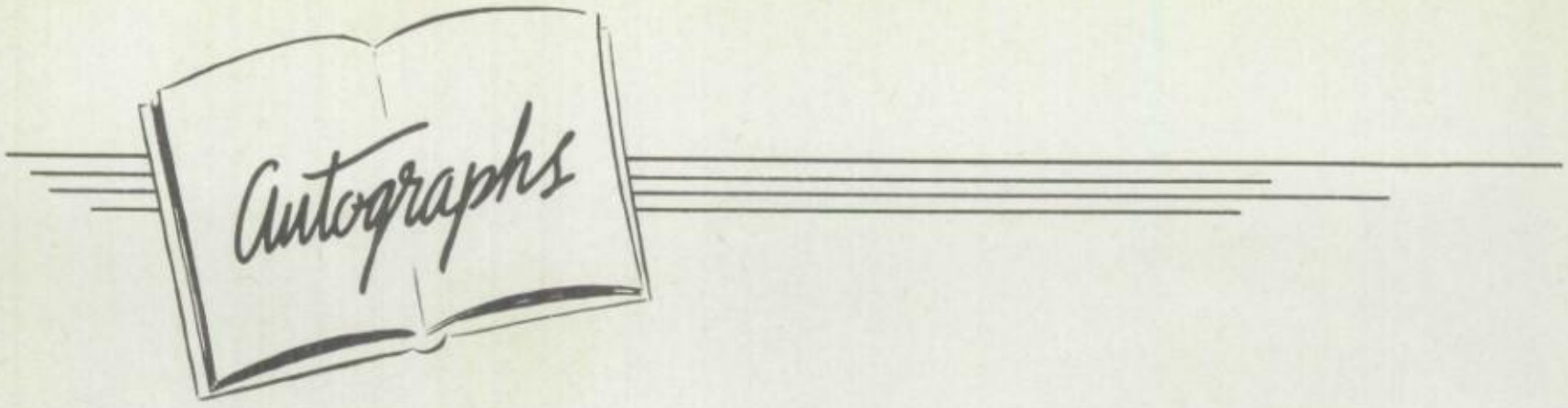
Faculty

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Faculty

LEO S. SANBORN
Commerce

ROSALIE JONES
English & Social Science

ALVIN JONES
Physical Education & Industrial Arts

ANNA PETERSON
Home Economics & Social Science

GLENN LOVE
Science & Math

MILDRED SANBORN
Music

MARGARET JACKSON
1st Grade

MILDRED STRYCKER
2nd Grade

DOROTHY REED
3rd Grade

Faculty

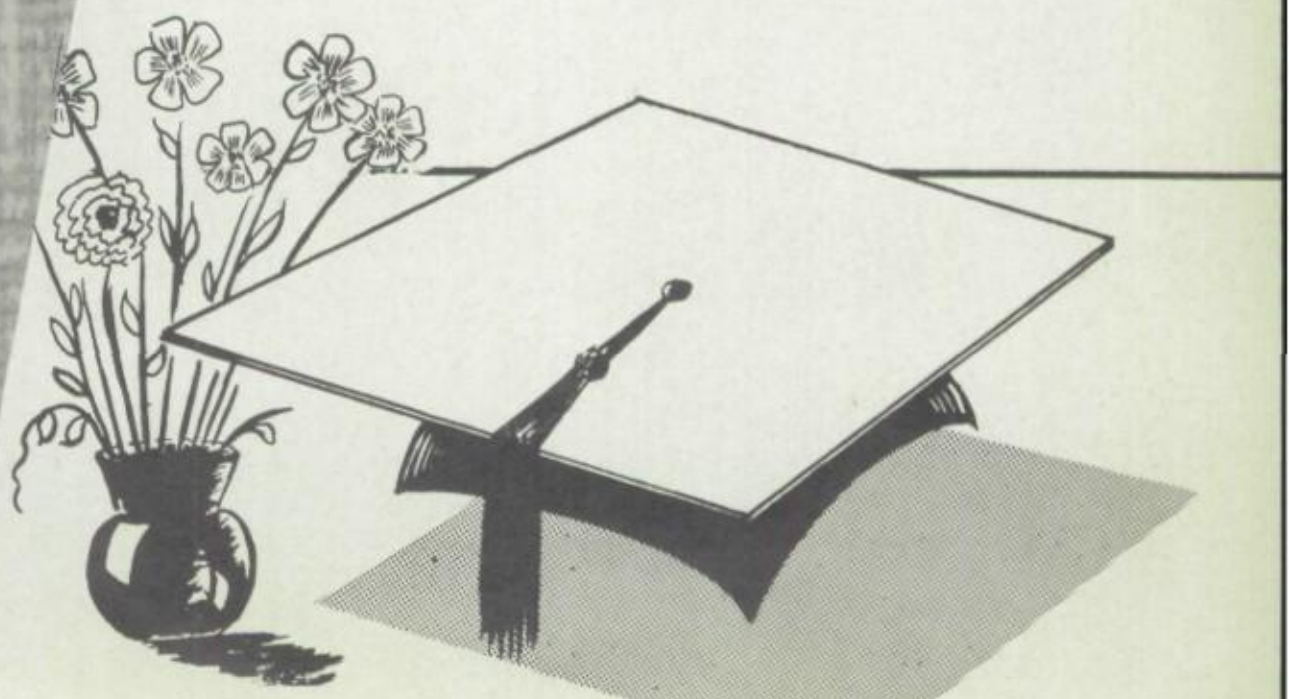
JUANITA KILLIAN
4th Grade

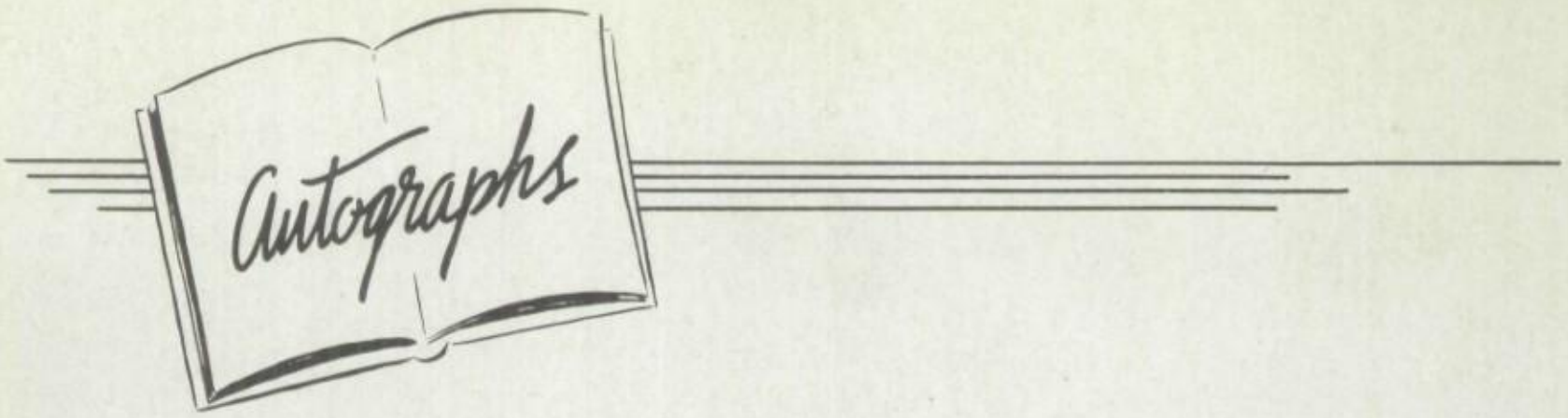
VERA LEE WILLIAMS
5th Grade

EVA POWNALL
6th Grade

BETTY MITCHELL
7th & 8th Grade

Seniors

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Seniors

PATRICIA GLADES

ALLEN ERBE

CHARLOTT ALLEN

EUGENE SHOCKLEY

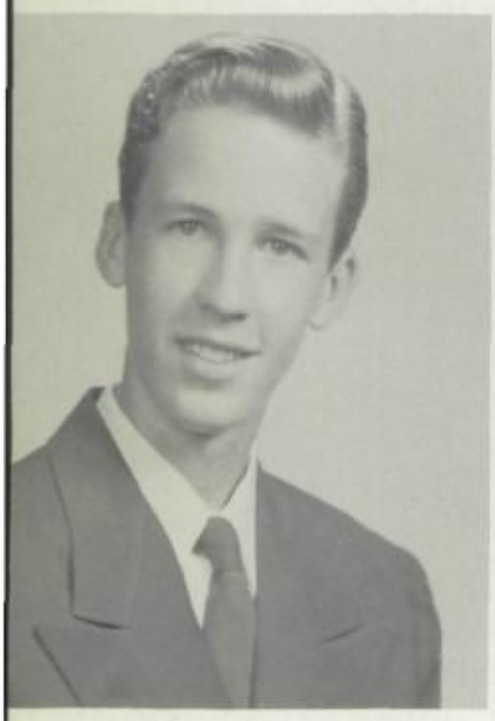
KENNETH RICHARDS

JEAN LEAMING

Seniors

MARY JEAN FOGLEMAN

LEOLA HOLTZMAN



KENNETH BARSCH

HELEN FORTENBERRY

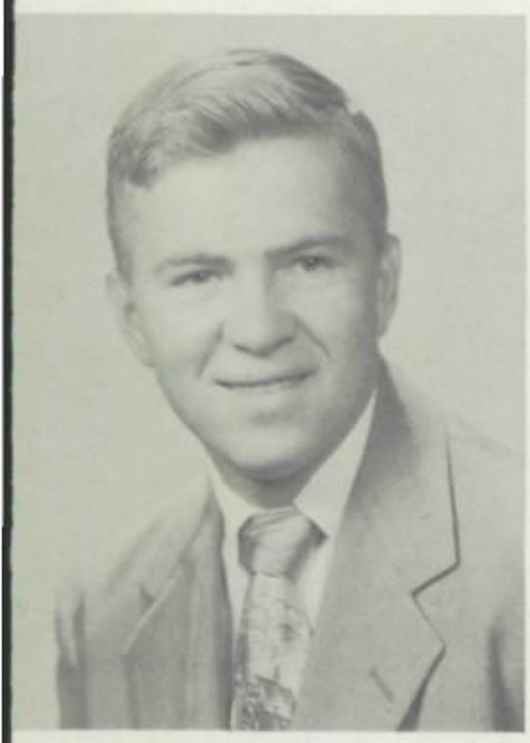
MARVIN JOHNSON

CHRISTINE ANDERSON

Seniors

BILL BABCOCK

GARY HASTINGS



DAVID MIDDLETON

FLORENCE PADLEY

EVELYN McKINSEY

NELDA GILDART

ADA MAE YOUNG

CLASS POEM OF '54

At last we bid high school good bye
We want to laugh and we want to cry
We've surely had a lot of fun
But we are glad the works all done.

Kenneth Richards is just right clever
As class president he's our best ever
We never see him wear a frown
He very often plays the clown.

Marvin is Vice President of our class
We are all sure that he will pass
In basketball he can really play
He may become a star some day.

Here's Bill Babcock, we know he can
Be as good a coach as any man
He's been our treasurer and secretary
And life with Bill is always Merry.

Helen has been our office girl
The boys all think she's quite a "pearl"
She's very efficient as everyone knows
And will be a success wherever she goes.

Our Jean Leaming is ambitious too
The work she can do would astonish you
If you go to the hospital in Chanute
You'll find her a nurse so trim and cute.

Eugene Shockley, the school girls dream
The life of Shockley is quite a scream
But we think he soon will settle down
With a little gal from a neighboring town.

Allen Erbe was good on the basketball team
He always kept us on the beam.
If all of our players could be so clever
We wouldn't get beat, no not ever.

One sweet little lady is Ada Mae.
She doesn't have much time for play
She works in the drug store to make dough
Soon to beauty school she'll go.

Florence is our dress designer
We think she'll rank among the finer
She'll fix up dresses for a while
Then step out in the latest style.

Nelda is so neat and sweet
Her friendliness is hard to beat
We think she's cute and clever too
In everything she tries to do.

Our musical classmate is Mary Jean
She is a lovely blond haired queen
She likes all the girls and boys as well
Which she likes best is hard to tell.

Gary Hastings likes girls too
We don't know what he's going to do
He may look around as much as he can
And end up being a carpenter man.

Evelyn is smart and clever too
She's very efficient I'm telling you
She does her work with head so cool
And always goes to Sunday School.

David Middleton lives in the house on the hill
He has corn to plant and wheat to drill
A husky farmer so big and strong
Waiting for the right girl to come along.

Kenneth Barsch is our big tall man
We'll "look up" to him when ever we can
He's the boy that will take the cake
In a motor boat out on a lake.

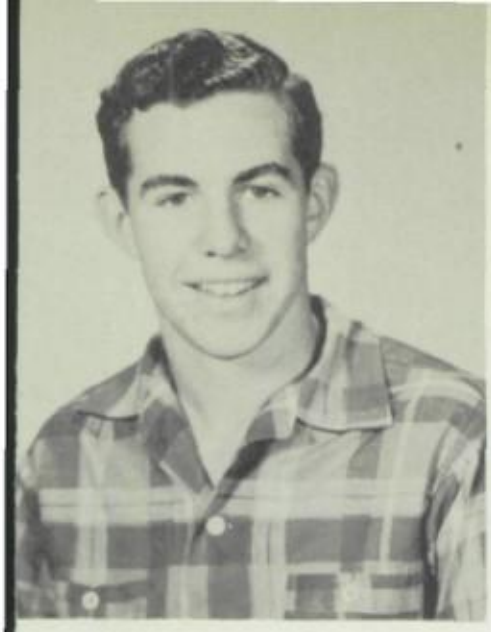
Patricia Glades is pretty too
She really shines in a style review
Once she was our basketball Queen
Her dark eyes made the captain dream.

Charlott's songs are a pleasant sound
She's a handy Miss to have around
I guess she too will be a nurse
If she doesn't take Bill for "better or worse"

Leola Holtzman is another "brain"
To be a school teacher she will train.
For student council we chose her name
We knew she'd be good at any game.

I'm Christine Anderson, last on the line
And about to run down on this writing of rhyme
My crystal ball is failing me too
So I guess I'll leave the rest to you.

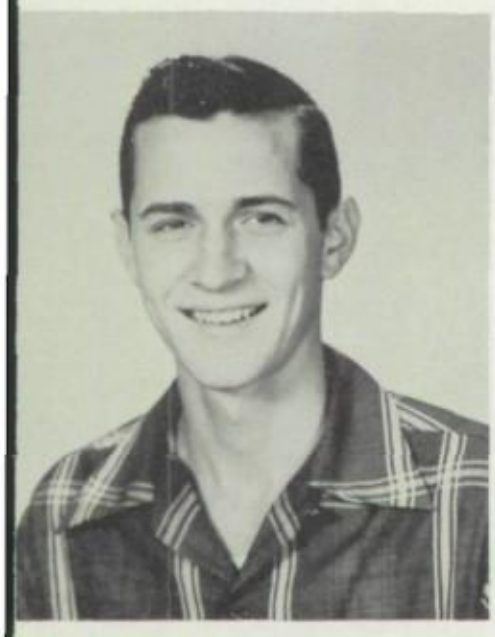
Swan song for the Class of fifty-four
We'll soon pass out of the school house door.
We'll see each other now and then
But 'twill never be the same again.



Gary Cooper

Anita Shockley

Sonny Smedley



Dale Reece

Juniors

Eva Mae Chaffin

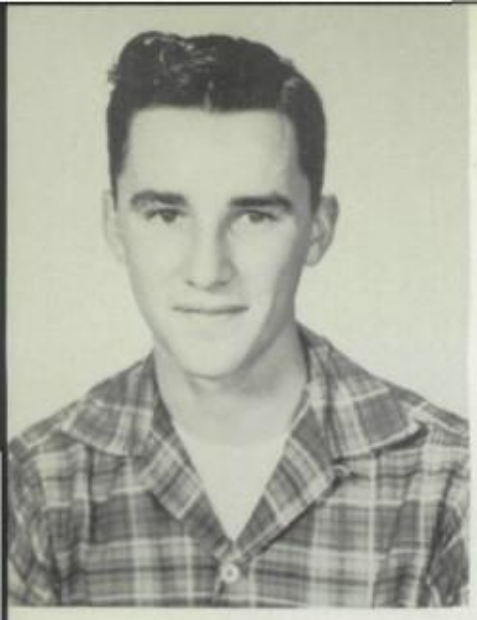
Phyllis VanMeter

Laqueta White

Jeanell Miller

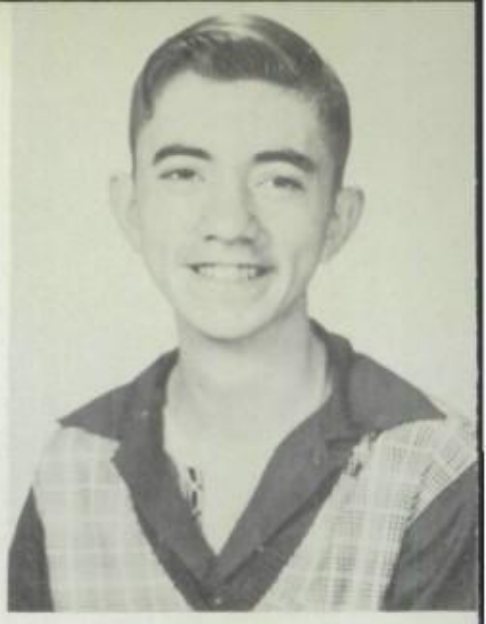
Shirley Key

Carol May Thornton



Larry Umbarger

Claire LaVon Rucker



Gene Mendenhall

Sue Powers

Juniors

Linda Harvey

Kathlee Triplett

BILL YOUNG CHEVROLET
"Lets be friends"
Chanute, Kansas

Louis Heck

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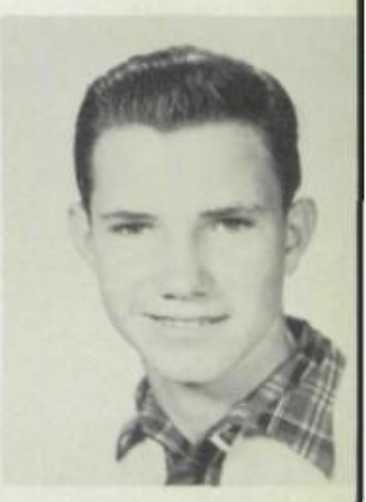

Bob Haviland

George Holtzman

Fredrick Glades

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June Reece

Keith Umbarger

Dean Wright

Lowell Hastings

Sonya Rucker

Jim Johnson

Gary Ely

Shirley Johns

Glen Wheeler

Jimmy Robertson

Jerry Stirewalt

Ellen Strycker

Mary McDaniel

Charlott Miller

Larry Rehmert

Stanley Stitt

Ronald Wheeler

Lois McFarland

Charles Middleton

Charles Cline

Ann Berkenmeier

Hope Huss

Tillie Hull

Laura Chrisman

Bill Wheeler

Nadine Chickadonz

Marilyn Marsh

Larry Barsch

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Ralph Padley

Sharon Fraser

Mary Lou Anderson

Carolyn Heck

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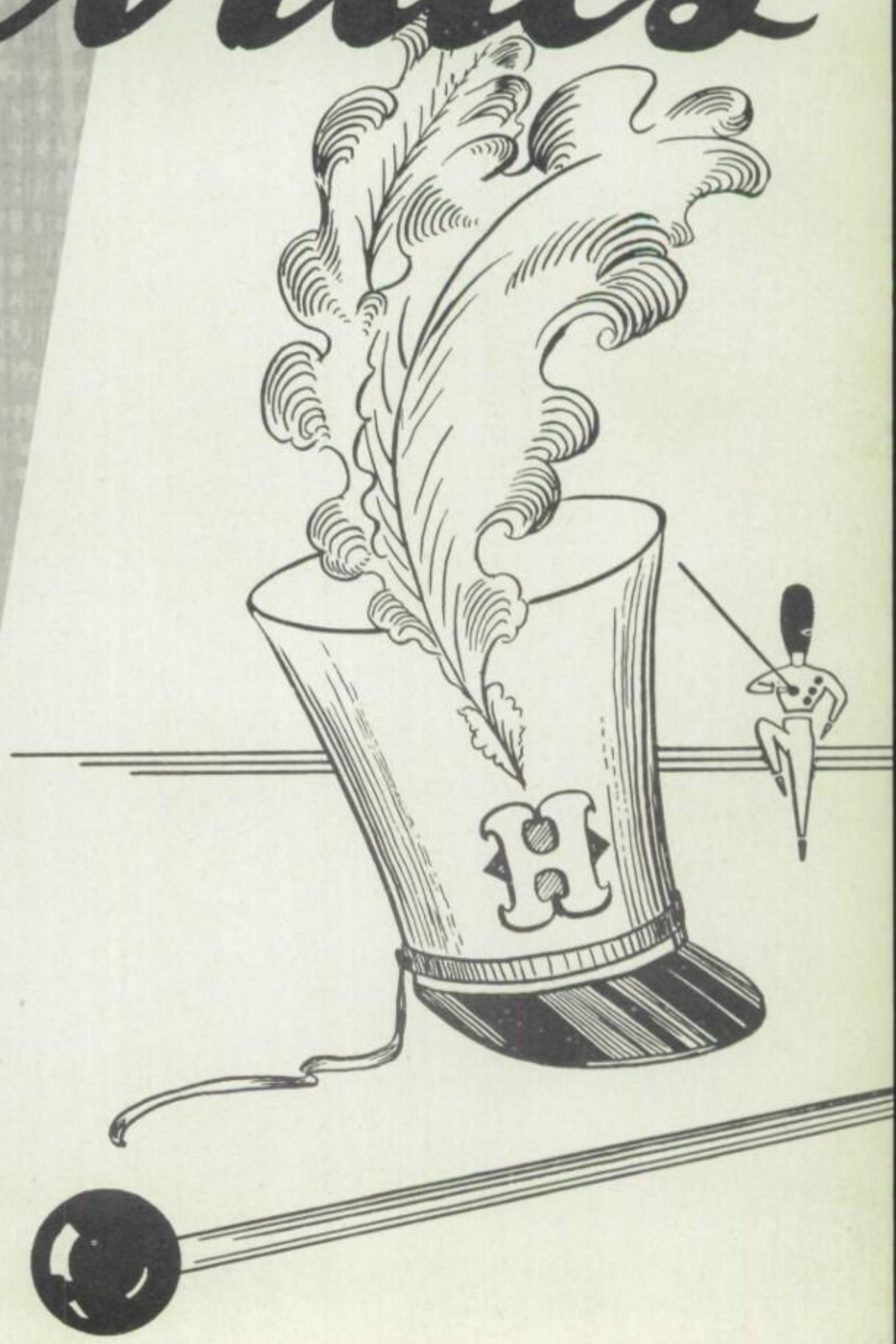
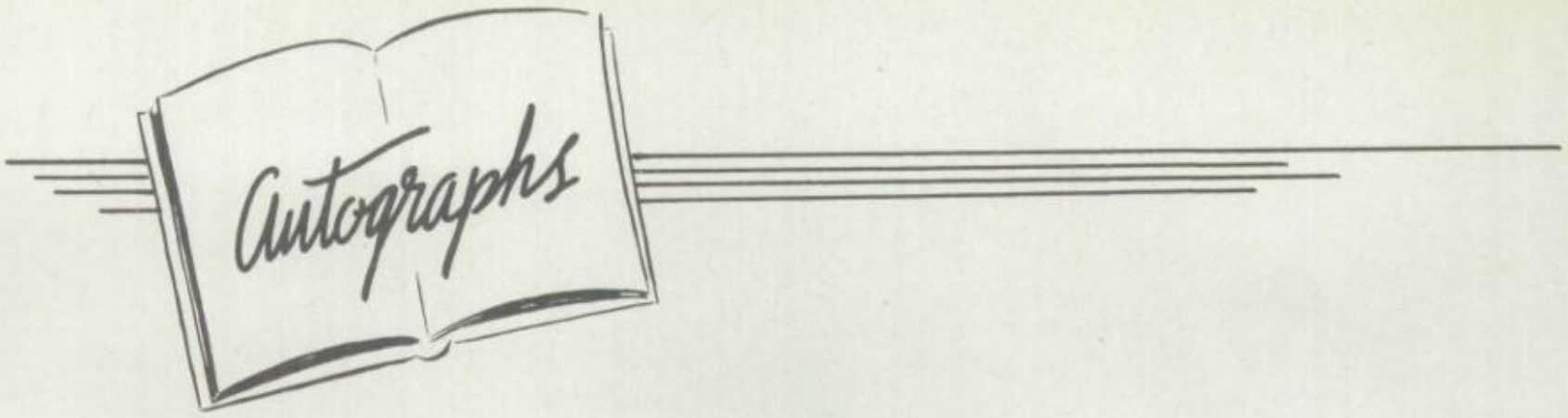
Activités

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Coronation

QUEEN
Anita Shockley

ATTENDANT
Mary Brown

The Basketball queen of 1954 was Anita Shockley. She was chosen by the team and crowned by the team captain Eugene Shockley. The queen was crowned at the half-time of the Thayer-Erie game. Anita was honored with a song by the pep club and the B team after they had formed a semi-circle about her. The queen received an autographed picture of the team.

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ATTENDANT
Leola Holtzman

Junior Play

Senior Play

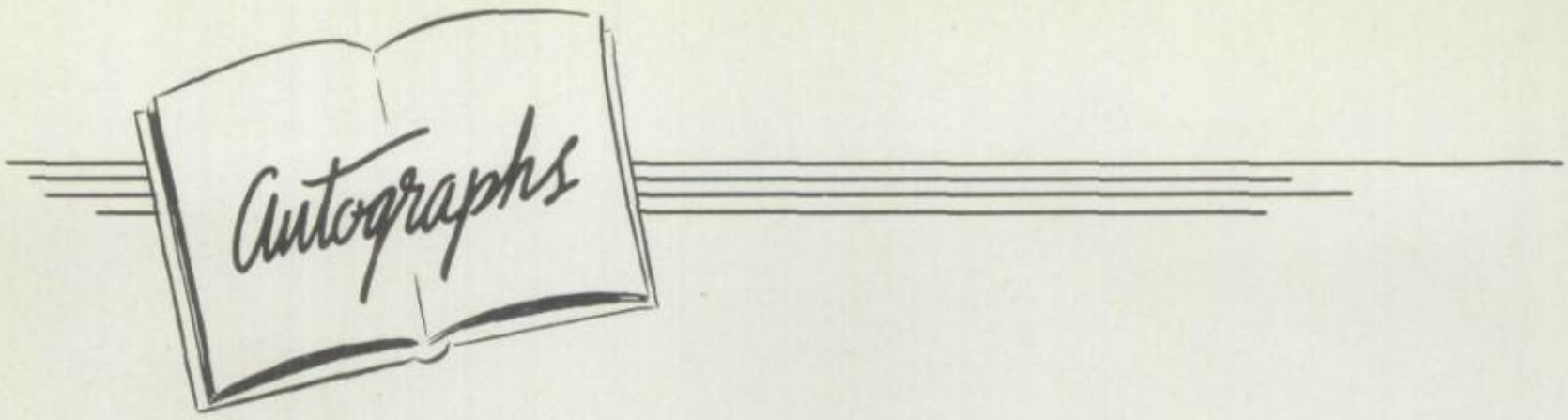
Junior - Senior Banquet

Class Night

Baccalaureate

Commencement

Sports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"A" Squad

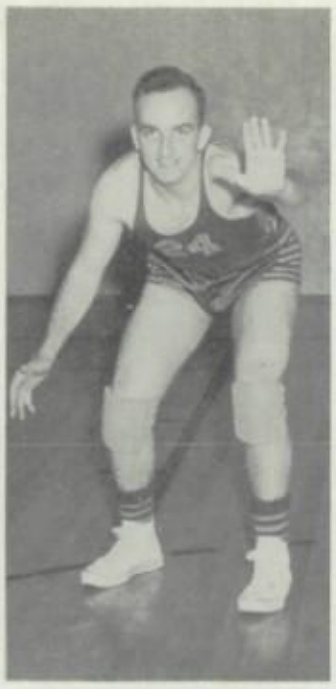
STANDING: Sonny Smedley, Allen Erbe, Leslie Learning, Charles Babcock, Jim Johnson, George Holtzman, Coach Al Jones. SEATED: Gary Cooper, Marvin Johnson, Gene Shockley, Bill Babcock, Tom Stipp, Dale Reece, Trainer Larry Umbarger, Manager Kenny Richards.

"B" Squad

BACK ROW: Keith Umbarger, Stanley Stitt, Kenneth Barsch, Gary Hastings, Glen Wheeler, Coach Al Jones. FRONT ROW: Bob Spurling, Charles Middleton, Gary Ely, Fred Glades, Robert Baty, Dean Olinger, Larry Rehmert.

Sponsored by the SPORT SHOP of Chanute, Kansas

Gene Shockley



Marvin Johnson

Bill Babcock

Allen Erbe

Jim Johnson

Gary Cooper

'53 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE '54

	WE	THEY
Altoona	58	34
Alumni	54	42
Elsmore	60	28
St. Paul	41	58
Grant	40	38
Hepler	63	28
Walnut	71	49
Altoona	90	61
Galesburg	49	50
Erie	47	52
St. Paul	43	55
Grant	54	36
Hepler	72	58
Elsmore	77	41
Walnut	67	45
Galesburg	51	46
Erie	51	47
LEAGUE TOURNAMENT		
Galesburg	66	62
St. Paul	44	66
DISTRICT TOURNAMENT		
Erie	35	44
Totals:	1133	940

The Thayer "B" squad went undefeated in season play.

Tom Stipp

Dale Reece

Sonny Smedley

George Holtzman

Leslie Leaming

Charles Babcock

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Basketball Snapshots

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Softball Snapshots

Hurry!

Huddle

Base Hit!

"53 Softball Schedule "54

	We	They
St. Paul	3	4
Grant	8	5
Hepler	10	3
Walnut	19	6
Galesburg	13	3
St. Paul	4	8
Grant	7	5
Hepler	24	14
Walnut	21	4
Galesburg	4	5

League Tournament

Galesburg	21	13
St. Paul	5	4

Final Standings

	Won	Lost
St. Paul	10	0
Thayer	7	3
Galesburg	6	4
Grant	3	7
Hepler	3	7
Walnut	1	9

Ball Four!

"There it goes!"

Let's talk it over.

He's Out

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Organizations

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Pep Club

CHEERLEADERS: Mary Brown, Wanda Dunivant, Dale Graham, Phyllis Van Meter and Sue Powers. ROW ONE: Ellen Strycker, Nadine Chickadonz, Mary Ward, Laqueta White, Carolyn Heck, Shirley Johns, Leola Holtzman, Mary Jean Fogleman, Sonya Mae Rucker, Mary Louise McDaniel, Kathlee Triplett, Carol May Thornton, Nelda Gildart, Lois McFarland. ROW TWO: Peggy Ann Seimsen, Mary Lou Anderson, Shirley Key, Fern Christmas, Eva Chaffin, Loretta Murphy, Jeanell Miller, Barbara Duncan, Linda Harvey, Laura Chrisman, Christine Anderson, Claire LaVon Rucker, Charlott Allen, Jo Ann Hill, June Reece, Helen Fortenberry, La Vella Osborn, Charlott Miller, Evelyn McKinsey, Florence Padley, Patricia Glades, Anita Shockley, Patsy Green and sponsor Mrs. Jones.

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Kenneth Rash-Thayer, Kansas

Yearbook Staff

BACK ROW: Fern Christmas, Grade Editor; Dale Reece, Advertising Manager; Helen Fortenberry, Secretary; Mr. Glenn Love, Sponsor; Phyllis VanMeter, Co-Editor. FRONT ROW: Marvin Johnson, Editor; Claire Rucker, Ass. Grade Editor; Kenneth Richards, Business Editor; Leola Holtzman, Typist; Eugene Shockley, Photographer.

Monday night Staff meeting.

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Girls Glee Club

FIRST ROW: Director Mrs. Mildred Sanborn, Loretta Murphy, Marilyn Marsh, Ann Berkenmeier, Claire LaVon Rucker, Nadine Chickadonz, Sharon Fraser, Carolyn Heck, Leola Holtzman, Shirley Johns, Sonya Rucker, Florence Padley, Lois McFarland, Mary Lou Anderson, Frances Berkenmeier, Shirley Key, Charlott Allen, Sue Powers. SECOND ROW: June Reece, Charlott Miller, Mary Ward, Laura Chrisman, Ellen Strycker, Mary Jean Fogleman, Dorthalie Thielenhaus, Tillie Hull, JoAnn Hill, Phyllis VanMeter, Anita Shockley, Christine Anderson, Mary Brown, Barbara Duncan, Evelyn McKinsey, Wanda Dunivant.

Boys Chorus

FIRST ROW: Jimmy Robertson, Charles Middleton, Sonny Smedley, Dean Olinger, Gary Ely, Ronald Wheeler, Jerry Stirewalt, Gene Mendenhall, Larry Rehmert, Larry Barsch, Bill Wheeler. SECOND ROW: Director Mrs. Mildred Sanborn, Keith Umbarger, Larry Umbarger, Dale Graham, Marvin Johnson, Stanley Stitt, Kenneth Barsch, Jerry McFarland, Dale Reece, Glen Wheeler, George Holtzman, Jimmie Johnson.

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Concert Band

TWIRLERS: Marilyn Marsh, Leola Holtzman, Drum Major; Wanda Dunivant, Carolyn Elrod, Carolyn Heck, Nancy Heilman.

GIRLS SEXTET: Sonya Mae Rucker, Sue Powers, Phyllis Van Meter, Wanda Dunivant, Mary Jean Fogleman, Claire LaVon Rucker.

BOYS QUARTET: Dale Reece, Gene Mendenhall, Jim Johnson, Marvin Johnson.

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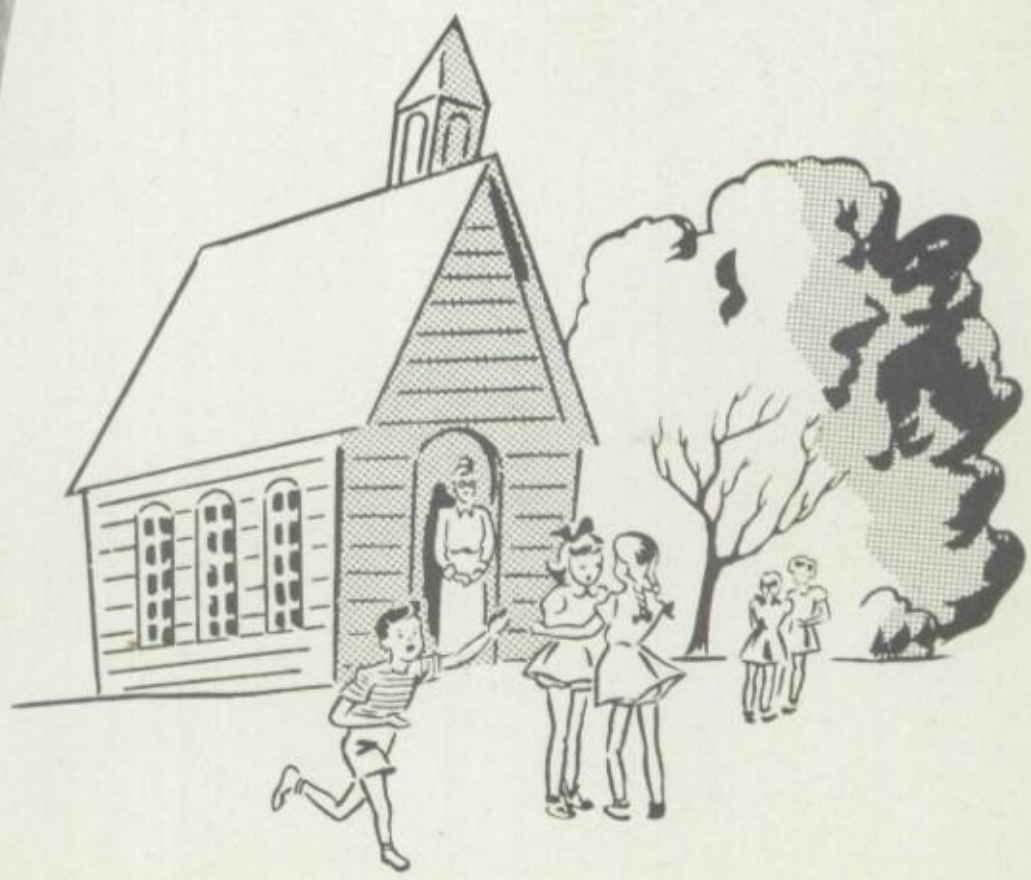
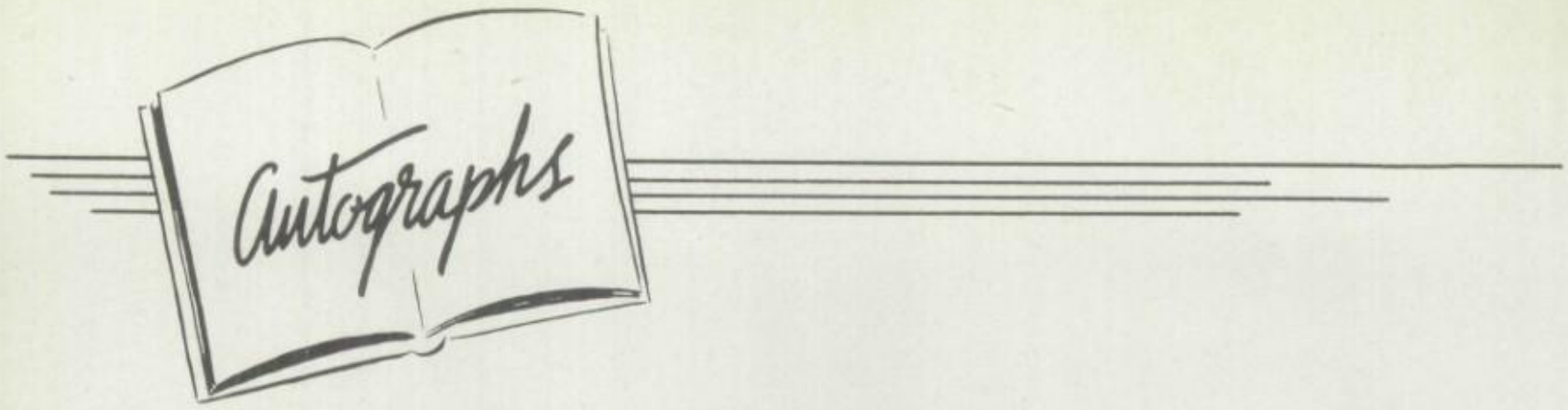
Grades

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Eighth Grade

Charles Reece

Goldie Babcock

Ralph Studebaker

Bonnie Murphy

Charles Haviland

Ruth Ann Christmas

Sue Greene

Larry Sanborn

Jackie Todman

Merle Reece

Norma Gildart

Charles Wheeler

Jollene Mendenhall

Wayne Erbe

Sue Wheeler

Herbie Henderson

Carolyn Elrod

Dwayne Erbe

Patricia Robertson

Seventh Grade

John Powers

Riche George

Gilbert Elrod

Patricia Rash

Robert Ward

Peggy Young

Weston Grube

Cheryl Umbarger

Clella Heck

Tom Hill

Stella Heck

Duane Jaynes

Joe Leaming

Sixth Grade

Raymond Fowler

Harold Berkenmeier

Faye Reece

Garry Rehmert

Sharon Rehmert

Eddie Smedley

Donald Strycker

Virginia South

Charles William Triplett

Christina Wheeler

Dorothea White

Nancy Sue Heilman

Walter Wheeler

George Alan Zugmier

Judy Mitchell

Mary Louise Meek

Freddie Haviland

Jimmie Huss

Fifth Grade

Jimmie Wilson

Harold Wilson

Sara Wheeler

June Wheeler

Ray Wells

Kenneth Ward

Ronald Umbarger

John Todman

Betty Jaynes

Mark Johnson

George McCready

Patsy Osborn

Billie Robertson

Glenda Timmons

Judith Rehmert

Joyce Reece

Marvin Elrod

Gay Nell Dickens

Allen Dickens

Robert Burt

Howard Berkenmeier

Kenneth Adams

Fourth Grade

Karen Leaming

Lynn Umbarger

Darlene Sutton

Anita Sue Umbarger

Garold Timmons

Gary Scott Wright

Tommie Adams

Keith Adams

Larry Arthur Woolery

Helen May Smedley

Larry Dean South

Gary Martin McFarland

Phyllis Rehmert

Helen Margaret Meek

Robert Huss

Frankie Haviland

Clifford Hastings

Neil Gildart

Larry Hale

Sherre George

Gary Lee Fowler

Cindy Cheesman

Third Grade

Dalene Anderson

Scott Cheesman

G. Roger Blackwell

Gary Adams

Mary Wheeler

Linda Rehmert

Ronald Fowler

Dean Graham

Gloria Hastings

Marilyn Jaynes

Betty Huss

Gary Marsh

Tommy Mitchell

Donna Reece

Stella Unruh

Gerry Wheeler

Carolyn Wheeler

Thomas Wheeler

Duane Elrod

Bobby Babcock

Larry White

Second Grade

Ronald Olinger

Larry Anderson

Carol Baker

Galen Bean

Wayne Berkenmeier

Beverly Duff

Rosslyn Engel

Stephen Johnson

Michael Mitchell

Patricia Rehmert

Robert Riggle

John Rucker

David Stitt

Billy Thornton

Kenneth Timmons

First Grade

Lester White

Stanley Umbarger

Le Roy Unruh

Jerry Sloan

Kenneth Thornton

Connie Sloan

Joyce Meek

James Unruh

Carol Leaming

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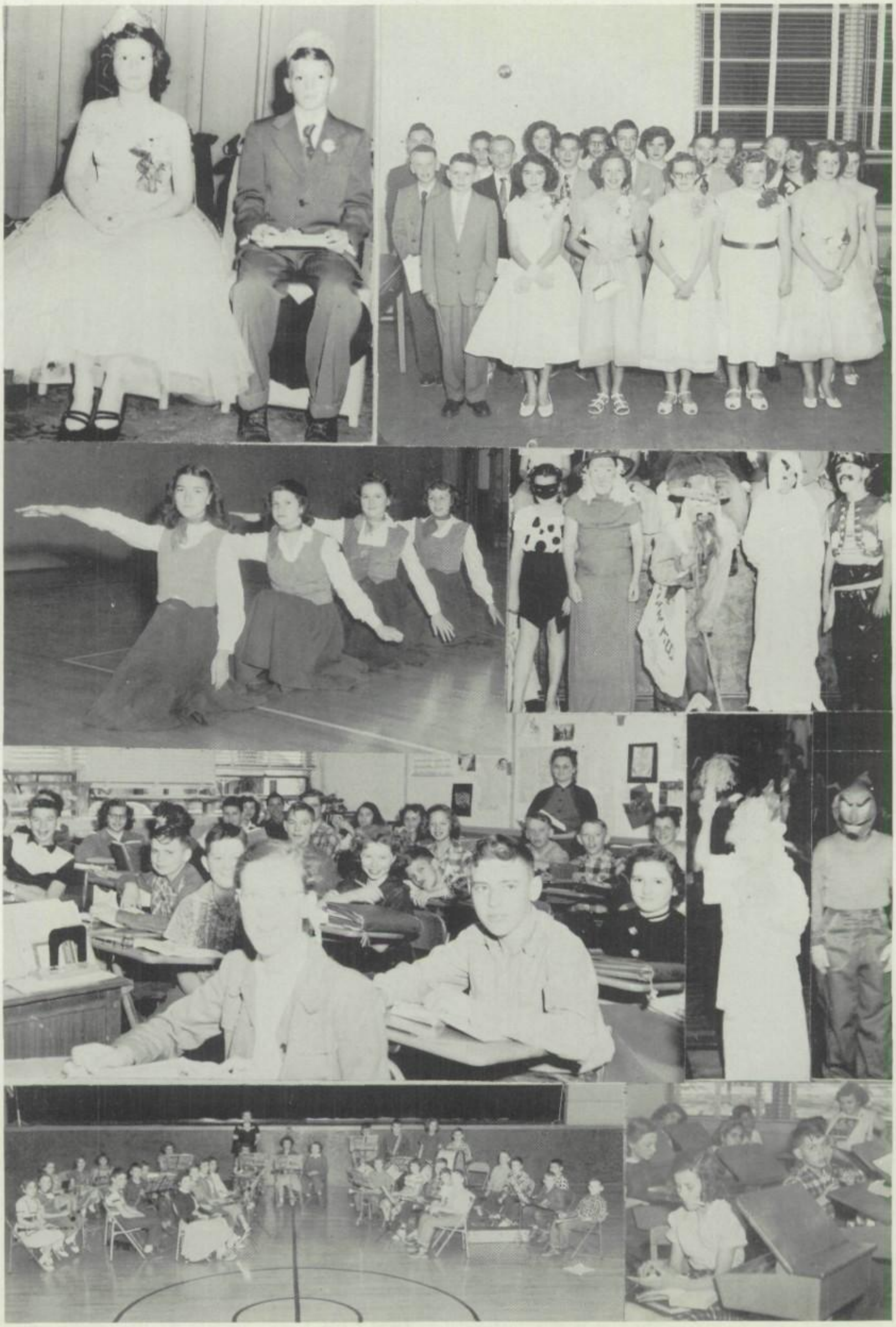

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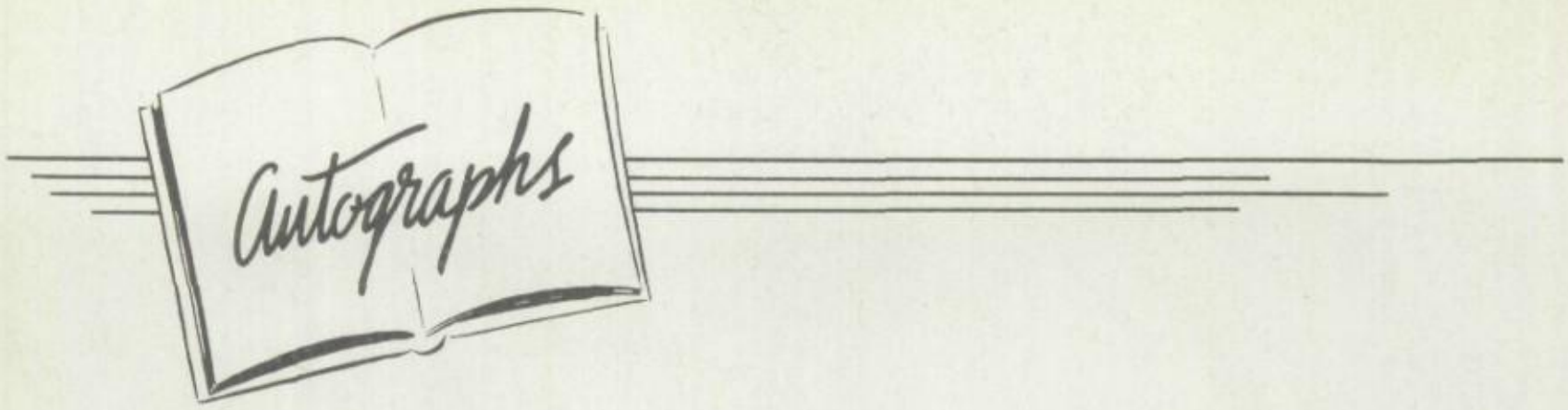
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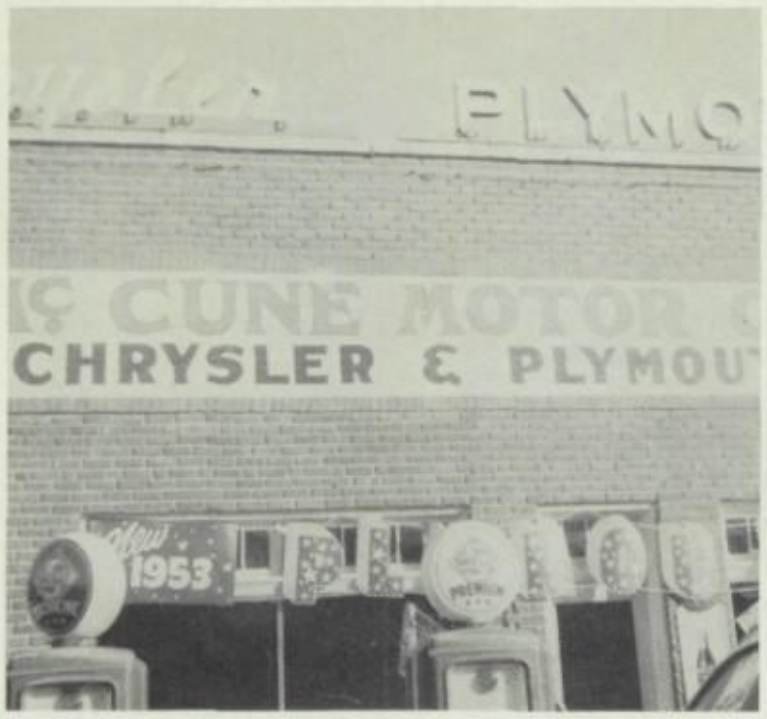

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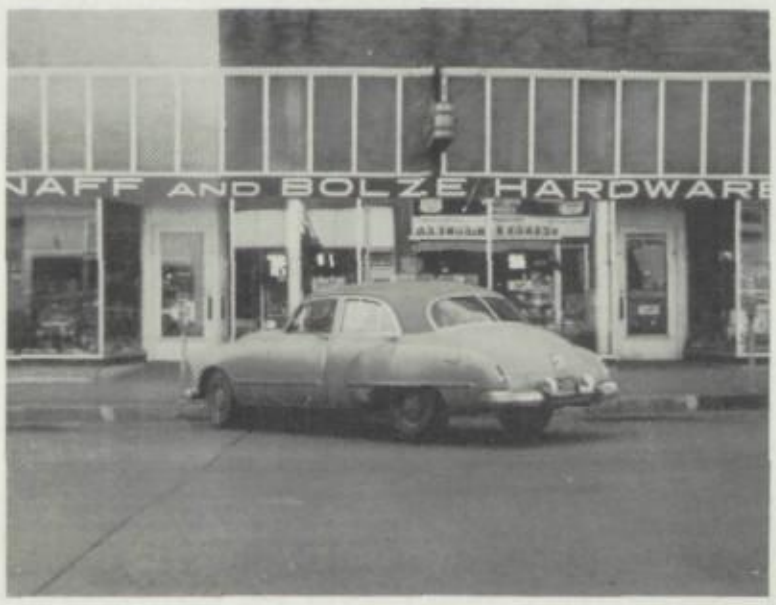

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